

REMARKS

In a final Office action mailed 01/31/2007, claims 16-24 were pending and rejected. Claims 20 and 23 were also objected to for informalities. In particular, with respect to claim 20, the examiner suggested that Applicants "might consider changing the dependency of claim 20 from claim 20 to claim 19." Final action page 2, paragraph 3. With respect to claim 23, the examiner noted that "this claim duplicates the preamble." Final action page 2, paragraph 4.

Applicants have submitted amendments herein that adopt the examiner's suggestion as to claim 20 and remove the duplicated preamble the examiner noted with respect to claim 23. As such, Applicants request that the examiner enter these amendments, which are in compliance with MPEP 714.13 for amendments after a final rejection that do not require a showing under 37 CFR 1.116(b)(3) ("adopts examiner suggestions, removes issues for appeal, or in some other way requires only a cursory review by the examiner").

Respectfully submitted,

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